# FILLING MANY JUGS

Fredericksburg Liquor Dealers Doing an Unprecedentedly Large Business.

PASSENGERS LEFT BEHIND

Steamer Unable to Accommodate Large Crowds Which Gather at the Warves.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., December B.-The steamer Caroline, of the Weems Line, was unable to bring all of the people at the wharfs along the Rappapeople at the wharfs along the Rappa-hannock last night desiring to come to this city, and had to pass by Port Royal and all of the wharves this side, as the steamer already had on board at that time the number of passengers allowed by law. Some of these parties drove here overland, and others waited until to-day for the steamer Essex, of the same line, which brought up a large number of ad-ditional purchasers of supplies for Christ-mas.

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In a number of nearby counties local option prevails, and the liquor dealers here have had this year a larger order and Jug trade than ever before. One firm in this city this week shipped by ateamer 150 Jugs of liquor, and on the following day one of the prominent firms here filled more jugs than on any previous day in its listory.

its history.

Mr. Bulley S. Pates has been appointed deputy sergeant of this city, under City Sergeant J. Conway Chichester, to succeed Mr. William R. Hall, who was the deputy under former Sergeant D. S. Russell

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The play "A Confederate Spy" was presented at the Opera House here last night before a large and appreciative audience. The performance was a marked success in every particular, some of the participants giving evidence of talent of the highest order. The characters were all well sustained, and the play was given with as much ease and force as if the actors were members of a well trained professional troupe. In the cast were Misses Lena Rowe and Frances Andrews, Messrs. B. M. Rosebro T. W. Hooper, J. A. Speer, R. H. Beale, T. R. Bass, W. S. Marks and Henry Painter.

Mr. Ira P. Turnley, of Spotsylvania county, left here to-day for Tampa, Fla, to spend the winter with his son, Professor I. B. Turnley, of that city.

The public highways are in better condition now than at any time for years at this season, and the weather being clear and cold, the number of people from the surrounding counties coming here every day, bringing their produce and buying their supplies, is greater probably than ever before. Good roads and the good weather have contributed largety to the volume of business now being done by the merchants here.

#### FIRE IN WINCHESTER.

#### The Masonic Temple Damaged. Have Narrow Escape.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINCHESTER, VA., Dec. 23.—The
most disastrous and stubborn blaze that
the Wind ester firemen have contended
with sines the Vilwig, ten years ago,
completely gutted the three-story brick
fullding at No. 121 North Main Street,
cwred by E. J. Evans, and occupied by
Samuel J. Willson as a drug store, at
an early hour this morning. The stock
of drugs of Mr. Willson is a complete
loss

The interior of the beautiful Masonic The interior of the Seath of Assorting Temple adjoining the Evans building, on the south, was damaged, and the stock of dry goods of Henry Baetjer & Company, who occupy the lower floor of the Masonic Temple, suffered considerable damage by water.

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The most exciting feature of the fire was the narrow escape of Mr. Willson and Richard Denny, a brother of Congressman James W. Denny, of Baltimore, who were asteen in the burning huilding, from being suffocated. They were roused from sleep by the cracking of lames, and groped their way half-way suffocated through the dense volume of smoke, which filled the building, to a second story front window, where they cred for help and were finally rescued with a ladder by the Rouss Hook and Lucder Company.

The losses will foot up about \$10,000, as foliows: Evans building, \$3,0.0; Willson's stock of goods, \$4,500; Henry Baetjer & Company's stock of goods, \$4,500; Henry Baetjer & Company's stock of goods, \$1,500; cuniture of Dr. R. W. Stone and Miss Mary Slone stored in the Evans huilding, \$600; in addition to these losses the Masonic Tomple was damaged to the extent of \$500 by smoke and water. The total insurance amounts to \$5,000 divided as fol-

in addition to these losses the Australia Tomple was damaged to the extent of \$500 by smoke and water. The total insurance amounts to \$5,000 divided as follows: Evans building, \$3,000; Willson's stock, \$3,500; Bactjer's stock, \$1,500; Masonic Temple, \$500. Great fear was felt for the safety of the priceless mural paintings in the Masonic Temple, owned by Hiram Lodge, No. 21, which made the late President McKinley a Mason. They were saved, however, after a desperate fight with the flames.

#### JAIL IS EMPTY.

Not a Single Occupant in the

Accomac Lock-Up.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ONANCOCK VA., Dec. 23.—Rev. James
Long, pastor of Onancock Baptist Church,
has tendered his resignation, and will accopt a call to Bowling Green, Va.

The county jail of Accomac is now
without an occupant. This has occurred
once before in the past fourteen years,
Mr. and Mrs. William C. West announce the approaching marriage of their
daughter, Miss Sarah, and Mr. George

# CHARLESTON, S. C., Largest Manufacturers, Importers and Distributors of

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Lowest delivered prices quoted, on application, on Standard Brands, in cargo lots, carload lots, smail lots, to any point in America. Full stocks at interior mills; also at Baltimore, Md.; Newport News, Va.; Norfolk, Va.; Portsmouth, Va.; Wilmington, N. C.; Charleston, S. C.; Savannah, Ga.; Fernandina, Fla.; Jacksonville, Fla.; Pensacola, Fla.; Mobile, Ala.; New Orleans, La.; Galveston, Tex.; Birmingham, Ala., and Atlanta, Gs.

Write for our prices.

Douglas Wilkins, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, December 20th.

Shipments of sweet potatoes for the past six weeks have not been remunerative. The heavy and continuous rains of the great October storm soured those in the ground, and very few have since then been in a merchantable condition. They were dug shortly after the atorm and put in klins, but rot almost as soon as the air strikes them. Many farmers have lost from fifty to three hundred barrels, and the aggregate loss in the county is at least fifty thousand dollars. Occan Lodge, No. 116, A. F. and A. M., will celebrate St. John's Day by a banquet at Hotel Wachapreague.

Mr. I. W. Bagwell is building a large addition to his handsome residence at Mount Prospect, opposite the steamboat wharf, and will hereafter conduct a summer and winter resort.

#### To Improve Mail.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch)

PORT HAYWOOD, VA., Dec. 23.—The meeting of capitalists two weeks ago at Old Point in the interest of a new steamboat line between Norfolk with its adjacent sections, and New York, is, a matter of marked interest to people hero. There are steamers every other day at most wharves, so that there is a duily mull only at those few wharves where the steamer touches every day, and the overland routes are so defective that it is almost impossible to get a daily mail that is not a day or more behind, or a daily paper printed oftener than three times a week on the day of publication. Mr. Young, the soliciting agent for the Old Dominion line, passed through this county last week to inform the people that they may have a daily boat at Williams' Wharf after the first of January, 1904.

The Postofilee Department at Wash-

uary, 1904.
The Postofilee Department at WashIngton is inquiring into the possibility of
so changing and improving the mail
routes overland and otherwise as to give
increased mail facilities on these peninsulas.

#### Roanokers Wed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ROANOKE, VA., Dec. 22.—Mr., Robert E. Thomas, shipping clerk of the Southern Shoe Company, and Miss Mary Hoover, daughter of Mrs. Lucy A. Hoover, eloped to Bristol to-day and were married.

Conductor John A. Greyer, of the Norfolk and Western, and Miss Susie Chafin, daughter of Mrs. S. E. Chafin, were married to-day, Rev. T. J. Shipman officiating. The couple left on a Southern train.

Mr. Charles Adams, a machinist of the shops, and Miss Bettie Vaughan, were married at high noon to-day, Rev. Ellis Hay officiating. The couple left on a

Return for Holidays. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
HOLDCROFT VA., Dec. 23.—Many former residents of this place will return to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

Among those expected are Misses Inez and Elsie Morecock, of Richmond; Mr. C. A. Orange, of Norfolk; Mr. H. C. Morse, of Raleigh, N. C.; Messrs, W. T. and J. T. Binns, of Williamsburg.

The public school of this place will close for its holiday recess on Thursday. The teachers Misses Grace and Ianis Morse, are being highly commended for their good work during first half of term.

Mr. W. C. Blanks, a well known business man, is quite sick at his home, Claybank, near this place.

#### Winter in Earnest.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

GOODE, VA., Dec. 23.—In the matter of weather, winter has been with us sure enough for the last few days. Saturday snow fell to the depth of several inches, the fifth of the season. Sunday rain, sleet und a driving wind, Many farmers are getting ice. Friday the schools, public and private, closed for the holidays. Every getting ice, rring it is saidors, better passing train is brightened by happy faced students on route for their homes, east and west, and college songs and yells mingle with the whistle of the

#### Yacht Club.

Yacht CIUD.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 22.—Mr.

R. L. Topel, of this city, has just received news of the wrecking of the yacht
Roamer, Captain H. C. Roome, of New
York owner and master, which occurred
near Nassau. Mr. Topel's son was engineer on the boat, Mr. and Mrs. Roome
and all members of the crew escaped
safely to the mainland, and are now at
Nassau.

Farmer's Heavy Loss. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

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(WOODSTOCK, VA., Dec. 23.—The dwelling house and barn belonging to Mr. Jas.

B. Burner, situated two miles south of Woodstock, on the Shenandoah River, along with all his personal property, feed, hay, corn and harness, were destroyed by lire at noon to-day.

Loss, over twelve hundred dollars, with no insurance.

### Crushed Between Cars.

(Special to The . imes-Dispatch.)
WYTHEVILLE, VA., Dec. 23.-Ham
Richardson, a Norfolk and Western negro brakeman, was crushed between cars
at Bel Spring, on the New River Division, to-day, and received probably fatal
injuries. He was brought to his home

# THE CRUISER GALVESTON

The Trigg Yard Builded Well the Vessel They Turned Over to the Government.

THE BALTIMORE IS BACK

Rev. L. R. Hadley Assaulted by Footpads and so Beaten He May Not Recover.

(Special to The Times-Dispa....) NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 23.—Work is progressing with satisfactory rapidity upon the cruiser Galveston, which was brought here from the Trigg ship yard at Richmond to be completed by the govern-ment's own workmen at the navy yard,

ment's own workmen at the may yard, in this city.

Naval officers think that, she will be completed carlier than most of the vessels which it wan found necessary to take out of the hands of the private yards and place in the government plants.

plants.

The Galveston is going to be one of the most shapely and graceful men-o war in the navy. She will be speedly, too, for her class, and withal, a most comfortable structure about 100 mercents.

craft to live aboard.

The workmen of the department of steam engineering are building the great twin engines which are to propel the cruiser. The interior of the hull, the engine and boiler foundations and other

cruiser. The interior of the hull, the engine and boiler foundations and other receptacles for her machinery are being installed, and the machinery will follow as soon as it can be completed. There are a number of months' work yet left upon the cruiser, and it is improbable that the ship will be delivered before summer

THE BALTIMORE BACK.

After safely delivering the first torpedo flotilla, destined for the Philippines at Key West, the cruiser Baltimore returned to Hampton Roads to-day.

Through the office of Rear Admiral Harrington, commandant of this naval station, she received orders to proceed to the New York navy yard, where she will be fitted out for her own voyage to the East, unless it should be decided that she is needed in Southern waters again.

The commandant's office advises the public that, an examination will be held on the 4th of January for the position of subinspector of material in the department of yards and docks, this city. It is expected that, besides local conlessants, there will be candidates from other cities of the State.

MINISTER ASSAULTED.

Rev. L. R. Hadley, paster of the Friends' Evangelistic Church, Portsmouth, was last night brutally assaulted by footpads. He lies at his home in a critical condition, as the result of injuries infileted with brass knucks and a

mouth, was last night brutally assaulted by footpads. He lies at his home in a critical condition, as the result of injuries inflicted with brass knucks and a knife. Mr. Hadley, who had been here but a short time, was on his way home, and he accosted a man, of whom he inquired the way. Instead of replying, the man struck Mr. Hadley and then stabled him, but made no attempt to rob him. The minister may not recover. STEAMER IN DISTRESS.

The steamer Nantucket, of the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Company, is in distress in the Chesapeake Bay. She is bound from Boston to Baltimore, with a carge and a full passenger list. It is not believed that the ship is in any immediate danger, in view of the fact that her plight was reported here by the Itaska, of the same line, which arrived this morning from Baltimore. She spoke the Nantucket at 2 o'clock this morning between Point Smith and Point Lookout. The vessel reported that she had broken her shaft and assistance was asked. The company's representatives dispatched aid to the help-less vessel as soon as her accident was known. She will be towed to Baltimore. less vessel as soon as her accident was known. She will be towed to Baltimore or Norfolk according to where she is picked up.

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JAMESTOWN.

Deep disappointment is felt by the managers of the Jamestown Exposition Company at the failure of the Legislature to extend the time for raising the million dollar subscription. It is feared that the entire remaining deflet of \$200,000 must be underwriten unless the plan is to fail. This it is believed can be done.

#### REDISTRICTING.

Council Adopts Plan for Six Wards in Danville.

Wards in Danville.

(Sneckal to The Times-Dispatch)
DANVILLE, VA., December 23.—The
City Council to-night adopted the majority report of a special committee, which
provides for six wards, to comply with
the new Constitution.
The delegation from North Danville
made a big fight against the proposition,
claiming it to be unfair and unjust to
that portion of the city.
They announced on the floor of the
Council that the decision of the Council
would be resisted in the courts.

# Too Much Holiday Fun and Folly



Too much of a good thing! That's what we are all liable to take during a holiday season. Healthy, jolly people will do it and make themselves sick, "In time of peace prepare for war," and have about the house a pleasant, perfect, palatable, positive medicine for sour stomach, sick headache, colic, winds, belching, biliousness, furred tongue, lazy liver, constipation; bad breath, bad taste, all liable to result from holiday over-indulgence. Cascarets Candy Cathartic is what you want; a tablet after a big meal will prevent sickness, or a tablet at night before going to bed, after a good time, will fix you all right for morning, and let you get up clear as a bell, ready for business or pleasure.

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# WEDDINGS

Many Pretty Ceremonies Celebrated in the Old Dominion on Yesterday.

DR. GRAY WEDS MISS CLARK

The Interesting Event Takes Place at Home of the Bride's Uncle in Charlottesville.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Dec. 23 .-Miss Alice Lear Clark, daughter of the late Lyman Emory Clark, at one time auditor of the Atlantic Coast Line, and a well known citizen of Petersburg, and Dr. Alfred Leftwich Gray, professor of physiology at the University College of Medicine, Richmond, Va., were married at noon to-day at the home of the bride's

at noon to-day at the nome of the bride's uncle, the Rev. Dr. W. W. Lear, No. 401 Ridge Street, this city.

The groom's brother, Mr. Ernest A. Gray, recently elected to the next Concernal Assembly from the countles of Goochland and Fluvanna, was best man, and Miss Ruth Clark, of Richmond, sister of the bridge was hald of honor. There

and Miss Ruth Clark of Richmond, sister of the bride, was hald of honor. There were two bridesmalds, Misses Grace and Eruma Lear.

The bride were a gown of white silk crepe over white taffeta, with pearl passementeric trimmings, and white picture hat. Her flowers were lilles of the valley and maidenhair forns.

After the ceremony, which was performed by Dr. Lear, Dr. and Mrs. Gray left for a short wedding trip. After a visit to the home of the groom's father, in Fluvanna county, they will go to

a visit to the home of the groom's father, in Fluvanna county, they will go to Richmond, where they will be located for the winter.

Among the out of town guests who were present at the ceremony were Dr. L. E. Clark, Dr. Frank Upshur, Dr. McGuire Newton, Dr. J. M. Wintree, Dr. W. L. Peple, of Richmond; Dr. J. Blair Spencer, of Williamsburg; Miss Kern. of Nashville; Miss Robble Grigsby, of Pulaski, and Miss Spray Maybee, of Richmond.

#### Willis-Brooke.

Willis—Brooke.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, VA. Dec. 23.—Dr. Heary
Parker Willis and Miss Rosa Johnston
Brooke were married to-day at 1 o'clock
at the home of the bride's parents, Colonel and Mrs. John M. Brooke, of the
Virginia Military Institute. The officiating minister was Rev. Dr. R. J. McBride.
The flower gris were the Misses Gadsden,
of Washington, D. C.

The marriago was a very quiet affair
and was witnessed only by a few intimate
friends.,
The newly wedded couple left, on the

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The newly wedded couple left on the
afternoon train over the Chesapeake and
Ohio Railroad on an extended Southern

Ohio Railroad on an extended Southern wedding trip.

The bride is the only daughter of Coloneliand Mra. Birooke, and is an attractive young lady. Colonel Brooke, it will be recalled, was a distinguished officer in the United States navy previous to the Civil War, and is inventor of deep sea soundings. He accompanied Commodore Perry to Japan at the opening of Japan-ese ports to American commerce.

The groom is a native of Massachusetts, was educated at the University of Chicago and at European universities. He came to Washington and Lee University five years ago, during the presidency of Hon, William L. Wilson, and has since occupied the chair of economics. He is a recognized authority on this subject. For a time he was an editorial writer on the New York Evening Post, and later was Washington correspondent of the Journal of Commerce, of New York.

#### Edwards-Charles.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
YORKTOWN, VA., Dec. 22.—Miss Kate
Charles, the attractive daughter of Mr.
John K. Charles, of Pish Neck, and Mr.
Charles Darden Edwards were married
this evening at 3:30 o'clock, by Rev. J. W. Baker, at Providence Methodist Church. Miss Bessie Warren acted as maid of honor, while Mr. Benton Charles, brother of the bride, acted as best man. Messrs, Dick Foster and D. D: White,

acted as ushers. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Ed-After the ceremony art. and arts. Earwards left on the west-bound Chesapeake and Ohio train to spend a day or two in Richmond, and several days at Windsor, Isle of Wight county, the former home of the groom. They will returning there to reside after the 29th.

#### Ruddack-Allen.

Ruddack—Allen.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHATHAM, VA. Dec. 23—A beautiful and quiet wedding was celebrated weddnesday at high noon at the home of Hon. Henry C. Allen, when his daughter, Miss Hattle Sue, became the bride of Mr. T. Banks Ruddock, of Charlotte, N. C. Rev. James Arthur, paster of the bride is an accomplished young woman. The groom holds a good position in the postoffice at Charlotte.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Josie Allen, mald of honor, and the groom by his best man, Mr. John Hood, of Charlotte.

Immediately following the ceremony an elegant wedding dinner was served, after which Mr, and Mrs. Ruddock were driven to this place, and left on the afternoon train for Charlotte, where they will reside.

#### Lowman-Shaw.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEXINGTON, VA., Dec. 23.—Mr. Walter
Walker Lowman and Miss Maggle Virginla Shaw were married this afternoon
at 5 o'clock at Ebenezer Methodist
Church, of Rockbridge Baths, Rockbridge
county. Rev. R. L. Markwood, of Goshen,
offic ated. Mr. John A. Shaw, of Browns,
burg, uncle of the bride, was best man,
and Mrs. Shaw was matron of honor.
The gate girls were little Lucy Batman
and Miss. W. H. Shaw, of near Rockbridge
Baths, and the groom is a son of Mr. and
Mrs. W. H. Shaw, of near Rockbridge
Baths, and the groom is a son of Mr. and
Mrs. William H. Lowman, of the same
vicinity.

#### Birch-McKnight.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Dec. 23.—

Miss Anna Bella McKnight, a teacher
in the city public schools, and Mr. S. A.

Birch, a well known merchant and apple
grower of Covesville, this county, were
married this afternoon at the residence
of the bride's mother, Mrs. A. E. Mc
Knight, the ceremony being performed
by the Rev. Dr. George L. Petric, pastor
of the Presbyterian Church, Immediately
after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Birch
took the Southern Rallway train for
Washington, where they will spend a few
days with Mr. Birch's father and brother,
who reside at Cambridge Place, Georgetown, Next week they will go on an
extended trip to New York and other
Northern points.

#### Clarity-Failes.

Clarity—Failes,
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Dec. 23.—
Mr. J. C. Clarity, of New York city, and
Miss Alice V. Failes, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. J. S. Failes, of this city, were
married this evening at the Catholic rectory, the Rev. Father Timothy Crowofficiating, Mr. T. C. Conica and Miss
Delia Failes, sister of the bride, were

the only attendants. Mr. and Mrs. Clarity left on a wedding trip to Baltimore and New York,

#### Shenandoah Weddings.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WOJDSTOCK, VA. Dec. 23.—Miss
Noille S. Clinedinst, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. George M. Clinedinst, and Mr. Robort
J Lantz, both of the vicinity of Edinburg,
were quietly married this morning.
The ceremony was performed at the
bride's home by Rev. Missey, a Baptist
minister, of Shenandoah county.
Miss Saille V. Ruby and Mr. Charles
E. Auld were married this afternoon at 3
o'clock. The bride is a daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. John H. Ruby, of Hawkinstown, and the groom is a prominent young
business man of Berkley county, Vs.
Miss Leilla B. F. Neif and Mr. Edward
A. Neif were married this afternoon at
the home of the bride's parents, near
Quicksburg, Shenandoah county. The bride
ir a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. B. W.
Neif, and the ceremony was performed by
the bride's father.

#### Abbott-Nash.

Abbott—Nash.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., Dec. 23.—Mr. Charles
W. Abbott, of Richmond, and Miss Annio
Bello Nash, of this city, were married at
noon to-day at the residence of the
bride's father, Mr. S. E. Nash, on Stokes
Street. The couple left on the afternoon train for Richmond, where they
will reside.

'The groom is the bookkeeper for Meade
and Baker, the Main Street druggists, in
Richmond. Rev. J. A. Spencer was the
officiating minister.

#### Stallings-Dyer.

Stallings—Dyer.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHATHAM, VA., Dec. 22.—Miss Laura
Dyer, youngest daughter of Mrs. W. C.
Dyer, of Galveston, and Mr. B. Dumont
Skallings, of Atlanta, Ga., were married
Tuesday afternoon at the home of Rev.
Aylar, who performed the ceremony. The
marriage came as a surprise to friends
of the young couple.

#### Postoffice News.

The Federal, State and municipal offices will all be closed on Christmas Day. The postoffice will open from 10 to 12 o'clock for the sale of stamps and the delivery of mail. There will be no delivery by the carriers. Three collections will be made, at 8, 12 and 6 o'clock.

#### Hopper-Ferguson.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
DANVILLE, VA., Dec. 23.—Mr. William
S. Hopper and Miss Bettle Forguson
were married this afternoon at the home
of the bride, on Worsham Street. Rov.
J. C. Holland officiated.

Eloped at Sixteen.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
DANVILLE, VA., Doc. 23.—Miss Mary Keeling, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Mrs. Laura Keeling, and Mr. Benjamin Gardner, both of this city, cloped this morning and were married this after-noon at Pelham, N. C.

MONTHE S Home Wedding.

Mr. Lafayette Trewaller and Miss Annie May McKinney were married last night at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride, No. Ili South Laurel Street. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. George II. Wiley in the presence of a number of the friends and relatives of the contracting parties.

Miss McKinney is a very beautiful and attractive young lady, and Mr. Trewaller is well known in the city.

## DROWNED ON THE WAY TO THE ALTAR

Tried the Ice While His Fiancee Watched on the Bank.

(Special to The Times-Disnatch.)
COVINGTON, VA., December 2.—This morning at 7 o'clock, George Richmond, aged twenty-five, while crossing Jackson River, near Natural Well, on the ice, broke through and was drowned. Richmond left his home, ten miles from Ollie, Va., at 5 o'clock, accompanied by Miss Annie Depriest, aged nineteen years. They were on their way to Ollie to take the train for Covington, where they were to have been married to-day.

Near Natural Well they had to cross the river, and Miss Depriest waited on the bank while Richmond walked ahead to test the ice. When he reached the middle of the river the ice broke and he went through, being drowned in the sight of the young woman who was to have been his bride. His body was not recovered until 3 o'clock this evening.

We call especial attention to the advertisement hir this issue of the George D. Witt Shoe Co., a firm located at Lyrchburg, Va., in the midst of abundant raw material, cheap fuel and skilled labor. These facts and their superbly equipped factory enable them to do the tramendous business that has made Lynchburg rank sixth in the cities of the United States in distribution of shoes. Three great trunk lines and the river serve them for shipping, and their unrivaled facilities in the manufacturing line account for the fact that they produce shoes undoubtedly better in quality than any of their competitors can offer at the same price. The immense demand for their goods argues well for their merit and for the fact that they make shees that are stylish, without sacrificing worth and wear. They appeal to the toste by sight, and to the Judgment by trial, and all retailers and jobbers will look to their own interests by handling these shees. It is now a demonstrated fact that first-class goods can be produced in the South.

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Tickets will be sold between all points on this line, account of the Christmas

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